

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116
Examiner: Winnie S. Yip
Art Unit: 3637

Docket No.: NHL-DOR-105
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Claim Amendments

1-9. (canceled)

10. (currently amended) A glass pane arrangement comprising a glass pane and a clamp fitting as claimed in Claim 9, wherein for fastening the glass pane, the clamp fitting comprising two clamping elements that clamp the glass pane between them, whereby one clamping element is realized in the form of a conical nut that is set into a boring of the glass pane, which nut is covered on the outside of the glass pane by a cover which is flush with the outside of the glass pane, which cover is detachably connected with the conical nut by means of a clip connector which is located on the cover, wherein the clip connector is one of: integrated into the cover and integral with the cover, and wherein the clip connector comprises an elastic portion to detachably connect the cover to the conical nut; and

said elastic portion comprises an elastic ring located in a radially encircling outer groove of the cover, the outside diameter of which elastic ring is slightly greater than the outside diameter of the cover.

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11. (currently amended) The glass pane arrangement clamp
~~fitting~~ as claimed in Claim 10, wherein the elastic ring is realized in
the form of a circlip.

12. (currently amended) The glass pane arrangement clamp
~~fitting~~ as claimed in Claim 11, wherein the elastic ring consists of a
plurality of straight ring segments that are connected at an angle with
respect to one another.

13. (currently amended) The glass pane arrangement clamp
~~fitting~~ as claimed in Claim 12, wherein the elastic ring is realized in
the form of an O-ring.

14. (currently amended) The glass pane arrangement clamp
~~fitting~~ as claimed in Claim 13, wherein in the conical nut there is an
undercut groove that receives the elastic ring.

15. (currently amended) The glass pane arrangement clamp
~~fitting~~ as claimed in Claim 14, wherein:

the conical nut is realized in the shape of a pot and one of: a
central boring and a slot is located in the bottom of the pot; and

the cover is realized in the form of a flat disc made of steel or

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plastic.

16-20. (canceled)

21. (currently amended) A glass pane arrangement comprising a glass pane and a ~~The clamp fitting as claimed in Claim 20, wherein:~~
for fastening the glass pane, the clamp fitting comprising two clamping elements that clamp the glass pane between them, whereby one clamping element is realized in the form of a conical nut that is set into a boring of the glass pane, which nut is covered on the outside of the glass pane by a cover which is flush with the outside of the glass pane, which cover is detachably connected with the conical nut by means of a clip connector which is located on the cover, wherein the clip connector is one of: integrated into the cover and integral with the cover, and wherein the clip connector comprises an elastic portion to detachably connect the cover to the conical nut;
the conical nut comprises an undercut groove;
said elastic portion comprises a plurality of projections on the outside periphery of the cover that are shaped onto the cover and are complementary to the undercut groove of the conical nut;

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the conical nut is realized in the shape of a pot and one of: a
central boring and a slot is located in the bottom of the pot; and
the cover is realized in the form of a flat disc made of plastic.